

Substitute Bill No. 541

February Session, 2002

## AN ACT CONCERNING DISCHARGE PLANS FOR PERSONS LEAVING STATE-FUNDED PROGRAMS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) The Departments of Mental
- 2 Health and Addiction Services and Correction shall conduct a joint
- 3 study on discharge planning for persons: (1) With psychiatric
- 4 disabilities leaving a hospital; (2) leaving a residential substance abuse
- 5 treatment facility or any state-funded residential treatment program;
- 6 or (3) released from a prison. The study shall include an analysis of the
- 7 housing available for such persons and the need for the discharge plan
- 8 to include a provision for housing.
- 9 (b) The Commissioners of Mental Health and Addiction Services
- and Correction shall report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the
- general statutes, on the study to the joint standing committees of the
- 12 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
- health and correctional facilities by January 1, 2003.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
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PH Joint Favorable Subst.